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**For:** METHOD FOR USING DATA  
REGARDING MANUFACTURING  
PROCEDURES INTEGRATED CIRCUITS  
(IC'S) HAVE UNDERGONE, SUCH AS  
REPAIRS, TO SELECT PROCEDURES  
THE IC'S WILL UNDERGO, SUCH AS  
ADDITIONAL REPAIRS

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